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Report of the Gallaudet Lecture Film Committee.

MR. O. H. REGENSBURG,
Chairman Moving Picture Committee,
National Association of the Deaf,
Venice, Cal.

DEAR SIR:—On August 6th, 1910, we were appointed by you a committee whose task it was to produce the first N. A. D. lecture film,—a lecture in the sign language to be rendered by Dr. E. M. Gallaudet.

We accepted the appointment with a little misgiving as to the outcome, for doubt was expressed in some quarters as to the feasibility of the undertaking. As no one in the N. A. D., that we knew of, had had any practical experience in the production of moving pictures of the sign language, we naturally went about the work slowly.

If we are not mistaken, Dr. Gallaudet was indirectly connected with the production of the first film in this country on which the sign language was shown. The film in question showed a rendition of the poem "America," by one of the young ladies of Gallaudet College. This film was part of an educational exhibit sent to the Pan American Exposition in Buffalo in 1900 by the National Government. Included in that exhibit were views of Annapolis West Point, and Carlisle. The film showing the signs was produced by the Biograph Company, but was not a success. However, at that time motion pictures were not as far advanced toward perfection as they are to-day. We do not know the present whereabouts of the film showing "America."

The next recorded film showing signs is known as the "Jones" Film, and represents Mr. W. G. Jones, of the Fanwood school, in pantomime character sketches entitled, "Seven Ages of Man," and "The Minister and the Monkey." This film was also made by the Biograph Company, and at the rate of one dollar a foot for the negative and thirteen cents a foot for the positive—or one dollar and thirteen cents a foot for every foot cast on the screen. The "Jones" Film is owned by the New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf.

Our film was to be the third and, unlike the others, it was to be a straight lecture delivered in the sign language and by a prince of sign makers—Dr. E. M. Gallaudet. His consent had to be secured first. It was some time in coming, as the good Doctor was plainly embarrassed at the idea of lecturing before a moving-picture camera. Moreover, he had seen the unsatisfactory results of the first film ever produced and was doubtful about it being possible to make the signs and finger-spelling appear clear and natural when cast upon a screen. He finally consented to try, and, at the same time, announced that he would lecture on the Lorna Doone country of Devonshire, England—a country he had lately visited and about which he was to lecture before a prominent literary society of Washington, D. C.

Next a film company that could do the work had to be found. It was considered inadvisable to select an out-of-town company for these reasons:—

1. The high price asked.
2. Travelling expenses and hotel bills which trips out of town would entail.
3. Uncertainty of the weather. Dr. Gallaudet might have gone away to deliver his lecture and have encountered cloudy or unfavorable weather, just as we did here in Washington on several occasions.
4. It would have been very inconvenient for him to go to New York or Philadelphia for a trial film, await the outcome of the trial, and then proceed with his lecture if the trial film was considered satisfactory. In the light of our experience with this film we can affirm with confidence that any such arrangement would have been impracticable. We, therefore, simply did the best we could in proceeding as follows:—

A local company, known as the Capitol Film Company, was consulted. We learned from Mr. William Pfunder, an employee in the Agricultural Department and a former student of Gallaudet College, that the manager and photographer of this company, Mr. Sig G. Boernstein, was at one time in the employ of the U. S. Government as a photographer. He was Government photographer at Fort Meyer, Va., at the time the Wright aeroplane was first exhibited and its flights photographed. He left the govern-

ment service four years ago to take up motion photography, and had been engaged in the work continuously since. Mr. William E. Heal of Washington, D. C., is the president of the Company.

This Company agreed to produce a trial film free of charge to show what it could do. Dr. Gallaudet delivered a part of his lecture, and the result as shown on the trial film was so satisfactory that we did not hesitate to award to the Capitol Film Company the contract for producing the full lecture. We notified you of the arrangement made and you sent a check for seven hundred dollars to Dr. John B. Hotchkiss, the treasurer of this committee.

A copy of the contract is here given:—

"Article of agreement, made and entered into the 26th day of January, A. D., 1911, between William E. Heal, of Washington, D. C., President and acting for the Capitol Film Company, of Washington, D. C., of the one part, and Roy J. Stewart, of Washington, D. C., representing and acting for O. H. Regensburg of Venice, California, of the other part, who is custodian and trustee of the moving picture fund of the National Association of the Deaf, as follows, to wit: The said William E. Heal, upon and for the consideration of four hundred dollars (\$400) agrees to furnish and deliver to the said Roy J. Stewart one print of a lecture to be given by Dr. E. M. Gallaudet in the sign language of the deaf, the same to be equal in every respect to the trial negative already made and submitted by the party of the first part and to meet all requirements, and that the work thereon, such as making exposures, developing, printing, etc., shall be executed by Sig G. Boernstein, who shall be required to exercise the same degree of skill as is shown in the trial negative hereinbefore mentioned.

"It is also agreed by the said party of the first part that the lectures shall cover a period of not less than twenty minutes, and that the rate of exposure shall be 18 per second.

"And it is further agreed that the negative shall be placed in a box under the seal of the Capitol Film Company of the District of Columbia, and deposited in a fire-proof vault at Gallaudet College, and is not to be removed therefrom while it remains the property of the Capitol Film Company, and the said Capitol Film Company agrees and is hereby bound not to make or permit to be made any prints or pictures therefrom for any party or parties whomsoever other than the National Association of the Deaf.

"The said Capitol Film Company further agrees that the said National Association of the Deaf shall have an option of purchase of said negative, the same to become its absolute property upon the payment of three hundred dollars (\$300), said option to continue for a period of eighteen (18) months from the date hereof.

"Witness our hands and seals, the day and year aforesaid.

WM. E. HEAL, Pres.
ROY J. STEWART.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of:

SIG. G. BOERNSTEIN.
WINFRED M. DAWSON.

The lecture was delivered in the Company's establishment, a large, regularly equipped photograph gallery. It lasted a little over twenty minutes, and was taken in seven sections of film, which necessitated Dr. Gallaudet's stopping six times while delivering his lecture in order to enable the photographer to reload his camera. At the start of each new section the lecturer repeated a little of what he had said at the end of the preceding section. This was done to enable us to tell exactly where to splice the sections together. The lecturer stopped on signal given by the photographer on nearing the end of each section. This arrangement worked well, for it was found that, after the sections had been properly trimmed down and spliced together, the thread of the good Doctor's discourse had not been broken. However the annoyance caused by the necessary stops, and the worry over where to start again, put Dr. Gallaudet under a severe strain.

When the print was cast on the screen, it was seen that, while it was a life-like picture of Dr. Gallaudet, and the signs and finger-spelling were clear and natural, there were white markings along the edges of some of the sections resembling forked lightning. The Company was willing to take the lecture over again and we suggested doing so to Dr. Gallaudet, but he was fairly satisfied with the lecture as it was, and that settled it.

We were authorized by you to have some views made of Kendall Green and events thereon, especially of Presentation Day, as President Taft had promised to attend. He, however, sent word at the last minute that he was unable to come, so that all we had taken then was a sixty-five-foot strip of film showing the procession of officers and guests and the graduating classes through the portico to the chapel.

Later we had taken a panorama of the college buildings and some views showing the Class Day exercises. These views, together with the one taken on Presentation Day, were given titles and placed on one reel, known as the Presentation Week Reel.

The Presentation Week scenes are not mere postures for the camera, but were taken as they actually occurred, and are only intended to give the public an idea of these annual events on Kendall Green. No attempt was made to reproduce the various addresses delivered at the exercises, as the dimness of the light in the shade of the trees made that very difficult, if not impossible.

It is thought that the Panorama of the group of College halls is important, as giving the public a definite idea of the scene of the incidents depicted on the other films, and also a definite idea of the building-equipment of the College for its work.

The length of the Lecture reel is 1025 feet, and that of the Presentation Week reel is 460 feet. The two reels are known as the Gallaudet films, and were taken by the chairman of this committee to the meeting of the American Instructors of the Deaf, which was held in Delavan, Wis., last July. There a public exhibition was given in a moving-picture theatre. Every one seemed well pleased with the films, and Dr. Gallaudet received so many compliments for his lecture that he was moved to triumph a little over our chairman by remarking pleasantly, "I have the laugh on you now for wanting to have the lecture done over again."

You will see by the terms of the contract that the lecture print was to cost us \$400, and that the negative from which the print was made, was to cost \$300 more. The Presentation-Week films cost \$157.50, and this price includes both negative and print. There was to have been a Field-Day film, but it was a failure. However, the Company send in a bill for \$43 for that Field-Day piece, and we refused to pay it. Much discussion about the bill followed our refusal to pay, and finally we proposed that if, President Heal would sign an agreement turning over to us the negative of Dr. Gallaudet's lecture, we would pay the \$43. President Heal agreed to this and signed the following agreement:—

We the parties hereto each and severally agree that the terms and conditions as set forth in a certain agreement by and between us, bearing the date of January 26, 1911, relative to the furnishing and delivery of pictures, films, negatives, etc., of a certain sign-language lecture by Dr. E. M. Gallaudet, shall, and the same are hereby, null, void, and non-effective in every particular.

It is further agreed by Wm. E. Heal, of Washington, D. C., representing and acting for the Capitol Film Company, of Washington, D. C., party of the first part, that he will, and by this writing does, sell and transfer all right, title, and interest (the same being absolute and entire ownership) of the negative or negatives of the said Gallaudet sign language lecture unto Roy J. Stewart, of Washington, D. C., representing and acting for O. H. Regensburg, of Venice, California, party of the second part, for and in consideration of the sum of forty-three dollars (\$43), in full of all claims and charges thereon of what soever nature. It is further agreed that the terms of this agreement shall be specifically complied with within ten days of the date hereof. Witness our hands this 11th day of October, 1911.

WM. E. HEAL,
Pres. Capitol Film Co.

In the presence of:
ROY J. STEWART.
SIG. G. BOERNSTEIN.
JNO. B. HOTCHKISS.

The above saves us the necessity of paying \$300 for the lecture negative, for, as you will see by the terms of the lecture contract, that is the price we were to have paid if we wished to buy the negative. With the payment of the \$43, which saves us \$257, we closed our business relations with the Capitol Film Company. This Company agrees, at some future time, to give a new film of the same length (about 200 feet) as the Field-Day piece.

Mr. Boernstein, who was photographer for the Capitol Film Company, has left that firm to become a partner and the general manager of the Feature Film Company, which seems to be a well equipped concern. Mr. Boernstein personally attends to all the photographing, developing, and printing. He is an adept in the use of the manual alphabet, is interested in our attempts to photograph signs, and has given us much useful information.

It seems to be a characteristic of nearly all films having a solid background to have very small bright spots on them. Go into any moving picture theatre and you will notice this. This was the fault of the Presentation Day Procession Film. In an effort to improve it we had the Feature Film Company make a new print which is an improvement over the other one.

Thinking there was no further use of the trial print, the Capitol Film Company destroyed it, but, as we had taken the precaution of preserving the negative, we had the Feature Film Company make a title and a new print. Also a print was made of the panorama of the college buildings—in fact, Mr. Boernstein made two panorama prints and gave us both for the price of one. They are both good, and when one wears out there is another ready to take its place. The prints were made at cost of films and chemicals, no charge being made for the work.

Dr. John B. Hotchkiss, who acted as Treasurer of this Committee, submits the following report:—

"On the 15th of December, 1910, our Committee received from Mr. O. H. Regensburg, Treasurer of the Moving Picture Fund of the National Association of the Deaf, a draft payable to John B. Hotchkiss for the sum of \$700 00

During the year which the whole and portions of this sum have been lying in bank subject to check interest has accrued to the amount of \$4 67

Total \$704 67

The expenditures have been as follows:—

Feb. 1st, 1911, To the Capitol Film Company in payment for Dr. Gallaudet's Lecture on "The Lorna Doone Country" \$400 00

June 7th, 1911, To the Capitol Film Company in payment for Films of "Presentation Week Events" 157 50

Oct. 11th, 1911, To the Capitol Film Company for surrender of all claim negatives of films mentioned in the foregoing items 43 00

Dec. 7th, 1911, To Sig G. Boernstein, Manager of the Feature Film Company, for reprints of three films 19 76

Jan. 8th, 1912, To T. L. Anderson, typist, for copy of this Report 2 00 \$622 26

Balance \$ 82 41

Much has been said in our correspondence about the white markings resembling lightning. We are informed by the manager of the Washington Film Exchange that such markings are liable to occur with the best photographers. Mr. Boernstein explains this occurrence in a letter dated Nov. 14, 1911, as follows:—

"Referring to our conversation of yesterday, I desire to offer an explanation of the defects in the lecture film by Dr. Gallaudet in which markings appear resembling lightning. These markings are due directly to static electricity, caused by friction of the perforating dies working too rapidly.

"These defects can be overcome to some extent by making a new print on which the markings will appear white, and then by pencilling them out. From this print a new negative can be made on which the defects will be greatly reduced, if not entirely removed.

"Trusting this explanation will be sufficiently clear, I beg to remain, Yours very truly,
THE FEATURE FILM MFG. CO.,
Sig G. BOERNSTEIN, Mgr.

The above-mentioned method is a rather expensive way of eliminating the electric markings. We do not think it worth while to spend more money on this lecture film.

The camera was less than twelve feet away from the lecturer at the time the signs were photographed. Mr. Boernstein, the photographer, says he cannot tell the exact rate of exposure except that it was much above normal. It was greater than specified in the contract. Mr. Boernstein used his own judgement, based on his experience gained in making the trial film, and says he photographed faster when words were spelled.

As you know, individuals differ in speed in signing. It is not everyone that signs with the even steady grace of Dr. Gallaudet. The rate of exposure in future films will have to be at a speed to suit individual lecturer, and we think this can be determined only by thorough trial, that is to say by producing a successful trial film before attempting a full lecture.

Through our Chairman a circular letter, setting forth the object of the Moving Picture Fund of the N. A. D., and asking for their very lowest prices for moving picture work, was sent to several film companies. Below are copies of the letters received in reply:—

From Pathe Freres Motion Pictures:

We have your favor of October 23d and have taken the matter under careful advisement. Beg to state that we can make you the film you desire at the rate of 50 cents a foot for the first positive, which is the kind of film you have to project a picture; and 15 cents a foot for every other positive of the same subject that you may order subsequently. We make no charge for the making of the negative, which remains in our possession for subsequent use; consequently with \$5,000 you ought to be able to get a good number of films.

We think your plan an admirable one and see no reason why not only one school but all the schools for the deaf should not be benefited by this scheme.

From Kalem Company Moving Picture Films:

Replying to yours of the 23d would say that the price for a reproduction in moving pictures of a lecture in the sign language would be fifty cents per foot for one negative and positive print, provided the lecturer will do his work before the camera in our studio in New York. Reproductions of the film would cost fifteen cents per foot. There would be no limit to the length we could use at our studio as two cameras could be employed without any lapse in the action. We would guarantee the photographic quality of the film.

From Biograph Company:

Replying to your letter of September 19th, it is impossible to eliminate the forked lightning of the negative which you have.

We would be glad to make up for you 1200 feet of negative at \$1.00 per foot, and from this negative a positive print at 13 cents per foot.

We could arrange to send a man to Washington to take a 400 feet panorama. The price for this would be the same.

From The Feature Film Company:

We beg to submit to you for your consideration the following prices for any motion picture work that you see fit to entrust to us.

For making the negative, per linear foot 25
One finished print from said negative, per linear foot 15

We will absolutely guarantee our photography, and subject the same to you for your approval on the screen.

We ask for no compensation until the finished picture entirely meets with your approval and is satisfactory in every way.

We trust we may be favored with any work that you desire to have done, and will exert every effort to give you the best possible picture obtainable.

Our studio is available any time you should desire to see the picture (on a small screen) and our services always at your disposal.

Any information about the Gallaudet films not contained in this report will be cheerfully given. It is not claimed for the Lecture film that it is photographically perfect, but that it is the best we could get under the circumstances.

Enclosed you will find all original contracts, receipts, and cashed checks also a check for \$82.41, which is the balance remaining of the \$700 you sent us.

Mr. Stewart, whom you asked to act as custodian of the films "until further notice," will shortly submit a report concerning exhibitions which have thus far been held, and the receipts therefrom.

Arrangements have been made with the College authorities for storing the negatives in the fire-proof vault at Gallaudet College for a while.

In closing, the Committee wishes to thank you, Mr. Chairman, and to express our appreciation of your unflinching courtesy, and the unflagging energy and zeal with which you and your Committee have seconded our efforts to make the film a success.

All of which is respectfully submitted.

JOHN B. HOTCHKISS,
AMOS G. DRAPER,
ROY J. STEWART,
Committee.

Be Patient With the Boy.

Be patient with the boys.
You are dealing with soul-stuff.
Destiny awaits just around the corner.

Boys evolve into men, and sometimes men change the boundary lines of states.

They make political parties; they crown kings and they put them to flight.

They bring contention or they make peace. They may build or they may destroy. But boys misused, abused, betrayed, never forgot and seldom forgive.

It is a terrible thing to plant the germs of suspicion and hate in the mind of a child.

Tyranny visited on a boy may implant in his heart dragons' teeth that spring up and grow into the armed man.

The breath of hate consumes, and its voice affrights.

Gluttony and greed sometimes leave the boy out of every equation. Gluttony and greed fatten and forsake. They invite and they alienate. They welcome and then they rebel.

Grasping greed sometimes forgets. It is the thing that brings mental and moral diseases and disorders of the state that cannot be cured.

Boys cannot be deceived.

Naturally, they are truthful.

They are elemental.

They do not know how they judge or why. The words of your lips count for little.

They know the things that are hidden in your heart.

To arrest boys and fasten upon them the strong hand of the law is a tragic thing.

A slight a boy will forgive, but injustice, never.

Boys can be led; they can't be driven. They respond to love but tyranny may set their hearts aflame.

To arrest these young mechanics and treat them as criminals is to educate them into the belief that the state is their enemy.

Thus, every jail is a kindergarten of crime and every policeman becomes a teacher of disorder, and every hurry-up wagon is hastening to spread and scatter the germs of violence.

These boys that have been arrested when following their peaceful and necessary avocation will never forget the experience.

They have become, in degree, used to being looked upon as law-breakers. In their hearts they justify themselves in all they have done.

The police of Kansas City are, for the most part, kindly and intelligent men. If they have been urged into unseemliness by men strong in the financial world, perhaps they should not be blamed.

And also, perhaps, the men who have urged them on should not be

blamed, because pride and avarice unrestrained evolve into tyrannies before they know it.

My heart goes out to the boys. In Kansas City I know one newsboy who supports a widowed mother and several brothers and sisters younger than he.

I know two newsboys, brothers, whose scanty savings are sending an elder sister to the State Normal School that she may be fitted to become a teacher.

Thomas A. Edison was a newsboy. He sold papers on the streets of Detroit, and on the Grand Trunk trains.

While selling papers on the railroad platform at Mount Clemens he saw a little youngster toddle out on the tracks, in the face of an approaching train. As the risk of his own life Tom Edison, the newsboy, grabbed the youngster, sprang on the footboard of the engine and saved the life of the baby.

For this deed the station agent rewarded Edison by teaching him the telegraph key.

We know the rest.

Paganini was a street musician when a boy, playing his violin and holding up his hat for pennies.

Martin Luther was an outcast and a street singer when a youngster.

Occasionally the proud and the strong would push him out of the way into the gutter. Such treatment made scars on his soul that time did not efface.

It is a terrible thing to kill animation and joy and enthusiasm in the heart of a child.

Boys should be encouraged and not ground down to a starvation point in all of their worthy and useful little industries.

Give the boys a chance to grow, to enjoy, to work, to save their pennies and become men.

I used to know a newsboy in Buffalo who cried his wares up and down in front of the Mansion House, the hotel where I stopped.

The years went by, as the years do. Twenty-five years passed and I stood in the Supreme Court of the State of New York to argue a motion which was of vital importance to me.

The judge who sat on the bench looked to me strangely familiar. All at once it came over me with a flash that this judge was once a newsboy from who I had bought newspapers in front of the Mansion House.

He now held for me the ability to wither or bless, to destroy or protect. Fortunately, for me, his heart and brain were right.

Be patient with the boys. Bad boys are good boys who misdirect their energies.

The hope of the race lies with the boys.

In a year or two we will be going to hear them preach from pulpits; we may go to them to borrow money; they may operate on us for appendicitis, aye, they may preach our funeral sermons.

Nobody can prophesy the success to which a boy will attain.

Difficulty, trial, hardship, work—these are the things that evolve boys into men.

Boys can be led. They cannot be driven.

Be patient with the boys. You are dealing with soul stuff. Destiny awaits around the corner.—
—Elbert Hubbard.

Southern Dioceses.

REV. O. J. WHILDIN, General Missionary,
W. 1436 Lantvale St., Baltimore, Md.

PRINCIPAL MISSION STATIONS.

Baltimore—Grace Chapel, Park Ave. and Monument St. Services and Bible Class meetings every Sunday, 8:00 P.M.
Washington, D. C.—St. Barnabas Mission, Church of the Good Shepherd, 8th and I St. N. E., Rev. H. C. Merrill, Assistant. Services and Bible Class meetings every Sunday, 11 A.M.

Wheeling, W. Va.—St. Elizabeth's Church for the Deaf, Mr. J. C. Brummer, Lay reader. Services every Sunday, 8 P.M.
Durham, N. C.—St. Philip's Church, Bible Class meetings, every Sunday, 9:30 A.M. Miss Robina Tillingshast, Parish Visitor. Services, every Sunday, 8 P.M. Mr. Roma Fortune, Lay Reader.

New Orleans, La.—St. Paul's Church, Camp and Gaine Streets, Mr. H. L. Tracy, Lay-reader. Services monthly.

The General Missionary visits the above and numerous other stations in the South upon such occasions as are appointed and locally made known. The Missionary will be glad to confer with any one desiring to assist in the work of the Mission.

The Burmese "pulgat" is the only foreign measure in the world which corresponds to our inch.

Deaf-Mutes' Journal

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EDWIN A. HODGSON, Editor.

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Wherever wrong is done
To the humblest and the weakest
'Neath the all-bounding sun,
That wrong is also done to us,
And they are slaves, most base,
Whose love of right is for themselves,
And not for all the race."

Specimen copy sent to any address on receipt of five cents.

MARRIED.

MISS GRACE L. APGAR BRIDE OF
IRA E. WORCESTER.

Interesting indeed was the wedding ceremony which was solemnized this afternoon in the Wilson home, 8 Lockwood Avenue. Miss Grace L. Apgar, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Apgar, was married to Ira E. Worcester, both of them being Stamford young folk, and both are deaf.

The ceremony was performed by Rev. John Chamberlain of St. Ann's, New York, and it was the Episcopal ritual in the mute language. After the ceremony a wedding breakfast was attended by a large number of friends of the couple, after which the newlyweds departed on a short wedding trip. Upon their return they will reside in Stamford.

Promptly at 4 P.M., the bride entered the parlor of the parlor of the Wilson home upon the arm of her father, who gave her in marriage. The knot was fastened before a bower of palms and yellow and white lilies. The bride looked beautiful in her attire of embroidered net over white silk, with a veil of orange-blossoms. She was attended by Miss Jennie M. Chinery as bridesmaid. Miss Chinery was dressed in pale blue and carried white bridal roses. The best man was Arnold Meier, of Boston.

Both the bride and groom are residents of this town, and have been for many years. Mrs. Worcester was born here, but her husband was a native of New York. The bride has been employed for some time past as dressmaker in the Wilson home, but she resigned this position several weeks ago, in order to prepare for her wedding. Very quiet and unassuming, she won numerous friends, both in the establishment and among the people she became acquainted with in the outside world. Mr. Worcester is employed in the Yale & Towne manufactory and met his bride at a social function about a year ago.

The room in which the ceremony took place was very prettily decorated, the work of the bride's own hands. There were banks of green ferns and palms, with yellow lilies peeping forth from the clusters of green. The ceremony was performed in the mute language by Rev. John Chamberlain of St. Ann's, New York, who has preached in that language on numerous occasions, although he also preaches in the ordinary way.

Among the guests at the wedding were: Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Frellick and a friend, Mrs. A. S. Worcester, mother of the groom; Mrs. J. Hine, Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Hine, all friends of the couple; Mrs. Albert McGuire and Mrs. H. C. Burns, sisters of the bride; Gordon Marshall, Miss Edith H. Marshall, Mrs. R. J. Martling, Mrs. C. Downes, Miss H. L. Wood, Miss E. Sherwood, Miss Margaret Sherwood, Miss Lina Bruce, Miss Emma L. Wilson, Mrs. Stewart Smith, Mrs. Townsend Howes, Mrs. Esther Hungerford, Miss M. M. Wilson, Mrs. R. Walsh, Miss Mary Sommers, J. P. Walker, Miss Lelia M. Whitney, Mr. Hiram Black.—*Stamford News.*

NOTICE.

Mr. Jay Cooke Howard, of Duluth, Minn., will be in Philadelphia again this week, and give one of his entertaining talks at the meeting of the Clero Literary Association, on Thursday evening, the 11th. The meeting place of the Club is at All Souls' Church, Franklin Street, above Green. Admission only ten cents. Members exempted from this charge. The president regrets giving such short notice as this, but it was arranged only at the last minute, and people who should see this announcement, may be glad to know and have the pleasure of meeting this interesting visitor. A large crowd is expected.

GEO. T. SANDERS, President.

National Association of the Deaf.

Organized, August 25, 1880.
Incorporated, Feb. 23, 1900.

President: Olof Hanson, O. H. Regensburg, S. M. Freeman, Wash. Cal. Cave Spring Ga.
Vice-Presidents: Anton Schroeder, Minn. Mrs. J. S. Long, Iowa
Mrs. J. F. Meagher, Wash. O. G. Carrell, Texas.
Executive Committee: Olof Hanson, Washington, Ex-Officio Chairman
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Thomas Francis Fox, New York
Waldo H. Robert, Nebraska
B. Randall Albright, Pennsylvania
Frank P. Gibson, Illinois
Arthur L. Roberts, Kansas
Harley D. Drake, Ohio
J. O. Reichle, Oregon

[OFFICIAL]

TO PRINT REPORT OMITTING THE LONG PAPERS.

In view of the limited sum of money on hand, I move that the report of the Colorado Springs Convention be printed at once, omitting the various papers read before the Convention, (most of these papers having already been published in the deaf press), and including only the actual work of the Convention as recorded by the Secretary.

A. L. ROBERTS,
Mem. Ex. Com.

The above motion has been adopted by the following vote:
Yeas—Allabough, Gibson, Reichle, Fox, Rothert, Freeman, Roberts: Total seven.
No, Drake: Total one.
The motion is adopted.

OLOF HANSON,
Chairman Ex. Com.

March 25, 1912.

COMMITTEE ON GALLAUDET MONUMENT REPAIRS.

Dr. T. F. Fox, of New York, Dr. J. B. Hotchkiss and Mr. Harley D. Drake are appointed a committee to have charge of raising a fund for the repair of the Gallaudet Monument at Hartford, and are authorized to receive contributions for said fund, to appoint sub-collectors, and to take such steps as they may deem suitable for raising said fund.

OLOF HANSON,
President, N. A. D.

March 25, 1912.

MR. PACH GETS BUSY.

Mr. A. L. Pach has started in well to justify his appointment as Chairman of the Committee on Civil Service, by the way he has taken up the case of Adam Singer who was denied the right to take an examination for book binder by the Municipal Civil Service Commission of New York. Below is some of the correspondence on the subject. Even if the Commission cannot be induced to change its action in the case of Mr. Singer, the Commission should be made to see the injustice of its position, and it is to be hoped that the next time they have a similar case they will think twice before turning down a competent man simply because he is deaf.

NEW YORK, February 26, 1912.

HON. JAMES CREELMAN,
President, Municipal Civil Service Commission,
299 Broadway, New York.

DEAR MR. CREELMAN:—I am writing to you in my capacity of Chairman of the Committee on Civil Service of the National Association of the Deaf. Some time ago, while Vice-President of that organization, I took up the matter of unjust restrictions against people who merely labor under the handicap of total deafness, but were otherwise qualified and competent, who were barred from employment by Civil Service restrictions. Attorney General Wickersham and former Secretary of the Interior Garfield, and President Taft, all ruled that deafness should be no obstacle to a man securing employment. The President of the National Association of the Deaf, in appointing me, asked me first to confer with you in a matter that came up under your predecessor, documents of which I enclose herewith. This man was prohibited from taking the examination simply because of his "affliction," which we believe is unlawful. At any rate, this man is a first-class bookbinder, and in this employment it does not seem that the handicap he labors under will bar him from doing the work properly.

In fact, and as a matter of fact, deaf people accomplish, despite their handicap, many things in themselves wonderful. For instance, I could take you to the Public Library here in this city and almost throw a stone in Tiffany's, where the most expert worker in gold, is a man deaf and dumb; or across the street in Gorman's find one of their most skilled and expert engravers a man totally deaf, or, again throwing stones, up Fifth Avenue the largest establishment, devoted to hair and hair goods, is almost entirely deaf. Now, if we can find such instances on Fifth Avenue, we can multiply them all over the town where men labor, and among these 3000 here in New York there will be hundreds fully qualified to do their work as well as those who hear, and in many cases even better, for they center

their efforts on their work and are not disturbed by the hum and conversation of the shop. I do not want to take up too much of your time, but I do wish that you would give the matter your consideration and remove an unjust restriction which we believe has no lawful reason for existence.

Very respectfully,
ALEXANDER L. PACH.

NEW YORK, February 27, 1912.

ALEXANDER L. PACH, Esq.,
935 Broadway, New York City.

DEAR SIR:—I have your letter of February 26, in which you complain that Mr. Adam Singer was denied the right to take an examination for the position of Bookbinder in the service of the City of New York because he was found to be totally deaf.

You express the opinion that the action of the Commission in this matter was unlawful. The Commission cannot take your view of the matter. Being charged by law with the duty of preparing a list of persons eligible for the position of Bookbinder in the service of the city, a list from which the Commission must certify names to any department which calls for such a certification, the Commission in pursuance of its authority to determine the necessary preliminary requirements for any such examination, physical or otherwise, decided that a totally deaf person has not the necessary physical qualifications.

I cannot enter into a discussion of any other aspects of the matter, as the Commission's authority and responsibility is strictly limited to the point here indicated.

Faithfully yours,
JAMES CREELMAN,
President.

February 28, 1912.

HON. JAMES CREELMAN,
299 Broadway, New York City.

DEAR MR. CREELMAN:—I thank you very much for your kind letter of the 27th. It would seem that you are quoting some law of which this committee is probably ignorant. It has been our contention that there is no legal bar and we have demonstrated this to the United States Civil Service Commission. May I trouble you further, if consistent, for a copy of the Law that prohibits the employment of a totally deaf person in such a position as that of bookbinder.

Of course, we would not feel it as though it were a discrimination against us if the position desired was one involving hazards, such as fireman or policeman, but we hope that a man, who is an expert bookbinder, for instance, is not legally disqualified from taking a Civil Service Examination for such a position.

Our standpoint is that when the Commission determines that because a man cannot hear, he is disqualified for such a position as bookbinder, it is unjust and unwarranted, and we propose to take such steps as may be necessary to secure a ruling that will not allow injustice towards one citizen because of an infirmity that in no way is a deterrent to good, faithful service.

Very truly yours,

ALEXANDER L. PACH.

NEW YORK, February 26, 1912.

ALEXANDER L. PACH, Esq.,
No. 935 Broadway, New York City.

DEAR SIR:—I have your letter of February 28th, asking the Commission to furnish you with a copy of the law that prohibits the employment of a totally deaf person in such a position as that of bookbinder. It seems hardly necessary to inform you that there is no law specifically dealing with the case of a totally deaf bookbinder. This Commission is charged with the duty of inquiring into the physical and mental fitness of persons seeking employment in the service of the City of New York. It is vested with full discretion in requiring candidates to have ordinary physical qualifications for the performance of the duties of the position which he seeks to occupy.

The Receiver of Taxes, in the Department of Finance, which made the request for a certification of eligibles for the position of bookbinder, in consequence of which request the present examination was authorized, has informed the Commission that a large part of the bookbinding done in the Department of Finance is carried on by bookbinders assigned to his division. He has declared in positive terms that a totally deaf man would be unable to perform the services required in the Department of Finance. The arrangement of records to be bound has to be explained to the bookbinders by deputies of the division, and it would not be feasible for those who have to make these explanations to communicate with the bookbinders in writing.

The Supervisor of the City Record, in answer to an official inquiry of the Commission, has certified that the bookbinder employed in his department has to keep in touch throughout the entire business day with contractors and various city departments, and uses the telephone exclusively; that a deaf man would be of absolutely no service for such work.

The Civil Service Commission is bound to consider the requirements

of the departments of the city government to which it is required to certify persons for appointment, and it seems to require no argument to show that the Commission would be doing an unlawful thing to certify a deaf man for a position for which, under the conditions of the service which he would be called upon to perform, he is physically unfit.

Of course, every one must sympathize with any person suffering from such a physical infirmity, but the Commission must be governed by the purpose of the law and cannot express its sympathy by certifying a physically incapable man for the public service.

The Commission does not hold a deaf man to be disqualified from taking a Civil Service examination because he is deaf, but because his deafness unfits him to perform the duties of the particular position under the conditions in which these duties must be performed.

Faithfully yours,
JAMES CREELMAN,
President.

MASSACHUSETTS.

Mr. Leslie Brown, hearing son of Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Brown, of Gloucester, Mass., will take an excursion trip to New York, Philadelphia and Washington, D. C., with nine boys of his age on April 19th. They may be gone ten days.

Mr. Sam Cross, of Beverly, began working in his brother's shop at Cambridge, on March 11th. It was wonderful to see him looking well after a long serious illness.

The following is from the Weymouth Gazette of March 29th:—

"George Amos Tirrell, a well known citizen of this place, died at the City Hospital, Lynn, on Sunday. He had been in poor health for some time, and seven months ago went to Lynn, where he made it his home with his brother. He was seriously ill Saturday and died the next day. He was born in this town 70 years ago, and was the son of the late Francis and Lavina Holbrook Tirrell. He was a shoe cutter by trade. He leaves a brother, Alfred W. Tirrell, of Lynn. The remains were brought here Wednesday, and a service was held at the chapel at Village Cemetery and was conducted by Rev. Frank B. Cressey, of Cambridge, a former pastor of the Baptist Church. The interment was in the family lot."

Mr. George Amos Tirrell was a Hartford School graduate. He won a handsome gold watch several years ago, in a voting contest of the Weymouth Gazette, for the most popular man in town.

Eighty deaf-mutes attended Rev. Hefflon's service and communion on March 21st.

Rev. John H. Keiser, of New York City, held services at 8 P.M., on April 3d and 4th, in Trinity Parish.

Mrs. I. Blanchard has been seriously sick and attended by a trained nurse. Many of her friends hope she will get well soon.

Mr. William J. Randolph has been indisposed for two weeks, but is now himself again.

There was a large attendance of orallists at a social on March 11th, given by the Boston Society in honor of J. C. Howard, of Duluth, Minn. Sixty were present. Every one seemed to enjoy Mr. Howard's interesting short address, as the latter's signs were very clear and plain for all to understand. He had been in Boston often before that on business.

Mrs. Fred Varney, of Farmington, N. H., is visiting in Boston again.

We read the Boston Post of March 29th that Mr. Ira Worcester was married to Miss Grace L. Apgar, of Stamford, Ct., by Rev. John Chamberlain, of New York City.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Babbitt, are happy parents of another little girl, which came on March 3d.

Mr. Wendell Saborn, of Rockland, Mass., is in the Taunton Hospital.

CHURCH MISSION TO DEAF MUTES.

NEW YORK DISTRICT NOTICES.

Instead of St. Ann's Church, N. Y., the Church of Intercession, Broadway and 158th Street, every Sunday, 3 P.M.

St. Mark's Church, Brooklyn. Every Sunday, 3 P.M.
April 28th, Holy Communion.

APRIL 24TH.

St. Peter's Church, Port Chester, 10:30 A.M.
Gallaudet Home, 10:30 A.M. Holy Communion.
St. George's Church, Newburgh, 4 P.M.

APRIL 21ST.

Trinity Church, Newark, N. J. Holy Communion.

APRIL 28TH.

St. Peter's Church, Port Chester, 10:30 A.M. Holy Communion.
Gallaudet Home, 10:30 A.M.
St. George's Church, Newburgh, 4 P.M.

GALLAUDET COLLEGE.

The annual exodus of campers from the Green took place last Wednesday afternoon, when under the leadership of the peerless camp leader, "Hub" B. West, practically the entire student body beat it for Great Falls, Md., where they pitched the tents at the "old swimming hole" and tacked up a shingle on the nearest tree, informing the passers-by that they were gazing upon the sacred precincts of Camp Gallaudet. The campers have been exceedingly fortunate this year in the matter of weather. Heretofore, the arrival of the date to set out for the annual "back to nature" stunt has been a signal for rain, snow, sleet and all sorts of disagreeable weather. This year, however, the belated Spring, as if making amends for her late appearance, has shown up, all smiles, to the delight of "Hub" and his cohorts.

Friday, as has long been the custom, was set for "ladies' day," and bright and early that morning, grinning, beg pardon, smiling feminine faces peeped from beneath sundry covers to see what the weather-man had decided as to the brand of weather for the day. Satisfied with their initial peep, the ladies hustled up, and promptly at 6:45 under the careful chaperonage of some one unknown to us, set out for Camp Gallaudet, with a heart for any fate, even though it should be to eat Wilhelm Ferdinand Schaefer's lemon pie. The ladies got back late Friday night, tired but happy, each one vowing that she had had the time of her individual life, while the lady rats, who made the trip for the first time, have not been able to understand how it could be possible for such mortals as pour correspondent to let the call of duty prevent him from going with the bunch.

It does us good to get hold of a Normal, who still keeps a warm spot in his heart for old Gallaudet, even though he is no longer a student there. Such a class of Normal students come so few and far between that, when one does find a specimen or two, it is worth mentioning. In connection with the subject, we wish to remark how much satisfaction it affords the students here to see the interest that still lives in the hearts of such Normals as Bjorlee, '10, and Stevenson, '11. Both these gentlemen gave their best to the student body in athletic and social way, and now that they have gone out into the world, they still remember us to the extent of visiting the Green every time they get a chance. Both Messrs. Bjorlee and Stevenson came over from Fanwood to spend their Easter vacation within the precincts of old Gallaudet. Both visited the camp on "ladies' day," and reported a fine time on their return to the city.

Miss Willie Kilgore, '08, came over from Baltimore during the past week to spend her vacation with her former classmate, Miss Helen Northrop.

Mr. Jay Cooke Howard, '09, renewed the days of his youth by taking a flying trip out to camp Saturday. Not having been there at the time of his visit, we don't know what happened to him. Mr. Howard is in town to attend the Alumni banquet at Tea Cup Inn, on the evening of the 8th inst. He is staying with his estimable *Pater in juri*, Dr. Draper, during his visit to the Capitol City.

Miss Rebecca Rosenstein, '14, was called home to Philadelphia last week, by the serious illness of her father. Her many friends on Kendall Green sympathize with her in her trouble, and all hope that it will not be long before her happy smile is once more seen trying to include the whole Green in one stupendous grin.

Gallaudet journeyed to Baltimore, on the 30th, and came within an ace of putting one over on the veteran Mt. St. Joseph's team. The score was 4 to 3 in favor of the Josephites. The latter evidently had a huge store of respect for Gallaudet's base ball artists, for they put their star pitcher in the box, and promised the umpire a nice can of beer after the game, if he would size Birek's slants up a little crooked whenever the game got tight. He won his can of beer.

As the score indicates, the game was a close one, and but for the crippled condition of several of our star men, would have had a different ending. Rockwell, Arras and Birek were not in the best condition, being weak in the shanks. The first named strained ligaments trying to do fancy swimming at the M. A. C. game last week; Birek's poor prop needs no apology.

For Gallaudet, Roller starred in the field and at bat. Out of four trips to the plate he swatted out a double and two unmarred ones. Birek pitched a good game but was wild at times; however, in pinches he tightened up like a banana skin and shot off runs. The whole team this year looks to be 100 percent better than last year, and we confidently expect William Bill Peet, our peerless coach, to give us a real team this year.

The committee chosen at a recent

meeting of the Students' Reading Room Club to serve during the third term of the collegiate year is composed of: Chairman, S. W. Harris, '12; Secretary, J. W. Gledhill, '13; Treasurer, W. F. Durian, '14; Librarian, A. W. Patterson, '14; Representatives, A. Wright, Jr., '12, and Eugene Hogle, '13.

The East Wing correspondent recently went on a strike, and we have been unable to sign up a new one. We wonder if the bad example the English and the German miners have set had anything to do with it.

A. N. S.

PHILADELPHIA.

News items for this column should be sent to James S. Reider, 1538 North Dover Street, Philadelphia, Pa.

Mrs. Mary H. Rocaap entertained a company of friends at dinner in honor of Mrs. Nancy Moore and her companion, Mrs. Mabel Wilson, of Canada, at her Cambridge Street home on Tuesday evening, March 26th. Despite her advanced age, Mrs. Rocaap delights in entertaining friends at home; for, being unable to attend such functions outside she naturally desires her friends to come to her. In consequence, her home is the scene of frequent little gatherings of deaf and of many visitors.

Other friends came after the dinner and helped to make the evening pleasant with games and conversation, and, though the grand old lady could not participate in them, she enjoyed looking on.

The following were present: Rev. Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Dantzer, Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Reider and daughter, Sarah, Miss Mary E. Taylor, Mrs. Nancy Moore, Mrs. Mabel Wilson, Dr. John Lewis; Mrs. E. H. Rigg, Mrs. Kate Hoopes, Miss Nellie Lynch, Mrs. M. J. Syle, Miss Nellie Franklin, Mrs. Percin Bowden, and Messrs. Wm. McKinney, John A. Roach, Alexander McGhee and William McIntire.

Mrs. Rocaap is one of the oldest living deaf in this vicinity. In her younger days she took an active part in the affairs of the deaf. Some of her prominent boarders were the late Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Jefferson Trist, Mr. Harry Van Allen, Mr. Olof Hanson, and others. Her son, Dr. William A. Rocaap, died several years ago, and left her in comfortable circumstances. She has been an annual contributor to All Souls' Church for the Deaf and the Home for Aged and Infirm Deaf at Doylestown.

The annual elections of the Clero Literary Association were held on Thursday evening, 28th of March. It was the quietest election held for some time. There was little competition, and in most cases, the old officers were retained in office. Following is the list of officers elected:—

President, George T. Sanders; First Vice President, Joseph S. Rodgers; Second Vice President, Chas. M. Pennell; Secretary, Thomas Breen; Treasurer, Alexander McGhee; Librarian, Mrs. Elizabeth H. Rigg; Sergeant-at-Arms, Nathan L. Schwartz. Mr. William McKinney was re-appointed Trustee by Rev. C. O. Dantzer, having held the office for several years past. While the elections were in progress, Mr. R. M. Ziegler had a sudden attack of illness and was forced to retire.

A stated meeting of the Gallaudet Club was held at the residence of Mr. George T. Sanders, on Saturday evening, March 30th. The annual election was held and resulted as follows:—

President, Daniel Paul; Vice-President, William H. Lipsett; Secretary-Treasurer, John A. Roach. The first and last named were re-elected. Mr. John A. Roach was appointed Chairman of the Dinner Committee with the privilege of selecting his associates on the committee.

Following adjournment of the meeting, Mr. Jay Cooke Howard, of Duluth, Minn., was brought into the room and introduced, the members remaining in their seats. He talked of his visits to various schools for the deaf and gave his impressions of what he saw at each school. Mr. Howard came over from Trenton, N. J., in company with Mr. George S. Porter and went back with him again after the meeting. He is expected back in Philadelphia some time this week, for a short stay.

Announcement was made that Dr. Crouter will again entertain the Club at his residence next June. Dr. Crouter has entertained the Club twice before at this time. A bountiful and appetizing repast was served to the members of the Club through the hospitality of Messrs. Sanders and Haight. It consisted of the following:—

MENU	
Olives	Pickles
Chicken and Celery Patties	
Tongue Sandwiches	
Swiss Cheese Sandwiches	
Potato Salad with Lettuce	
Crackers	
Coffee, Cocoa and Tea.	

A surprise birthday party was tendered to Elmer E. Scott by his

wife, assisted by William Fries, at the latter's home, on Saturday evening, March 30th. Congratulations were showered upon Mr. Scott and he also received a number of gifts. Refreshments were served and an enjoyable evening spent. Among those present, besides Mr. and Mrs. Scott and Mr. and Mrs. Fries, were Mr. and Mrs. Joseph S. Rodgers, Mr. and Mrs. Roy Keeney, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. M. Pennell, Mrs. E. H. Rigg, Miss M. O'Neill, and Messrs. A. McGhee, J. Coffield, James Brady, Francis Feighan, and Harry Hanley.

The Clero Literary Association will hold its annual excursion to Wildwood, N. J., on July 20th, 1912. William H. Lipsett is Chairman of Com. Ittee on Excursion.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Silintzer on March 25th. It is their third child. Congratulations!

All Souls' Church for the Deaf had its chance tastefully decorated with palms on Palm Sunday (March 31st). After the service the palms were distributed to the people.

At the Lenten service on March 27th, Rev. Mr. Dantzer gave an interesting illustrated talk on Queen Esther.

One of the Bishops will visit All Souls' on the Sunday after Easter (April 14th) to administer the rite of Confirmation. Do not forget this service.

Robert N. Stevenson, of Brooklyn, N. Y., accompanied his son, Elwood, to Philadelphia last Saturday evening. Elwood was on his way to Washington, D. C., and stopped here over Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Dantzer held a service in Wilmington, Del., on Sunday morning, 30th of March.

Valentine Wilson, son of Mrs. Helen Wilson, has obtained a position with the Willard Supply Company on Wood Street. A cousin of his father is connected with the firm.

Mr. Herbert Scott, one of the oldest members of All Souls' Church, died suddenly of acute indigestion at his home in W. Collingswood, N. J., at two o'clock this morning (Sunday). Funeral, Wednesday afternoon at 2:30. Particulars later.

Obituary.

Mr. August E. Volker died at his home in West Glendale, Cal., March 17th, after a long period of serious injury, being struck by an automobile, aged fifty-five years. He is survived by his hearing wife and three small children.

Mr. Volker had been a life long resident of Buffalo, N. Y., and was well known as an agent of the Buffalo Evening News.

A few years ago, he moved to West Glendale and bought a nice ranch with better success. One day he was crossing a road at West Glendale when a big automobile came speeding along. On account of his affliction, he made no effort to get out of the way, and even could not hear the shouts of occupants of the car, which struck him and hurled him twenty feet. He attended Fanwood School many years ago.

Evangelical Alliance Services for the Deaf.

(Interdenominational)

BOSTON.
Services every Sunday, at 10:45 A.M., First United Presbyterian Church, Cor. W. Brookline St. and Warren Ave., Boston (Roxbury Crossing, or Columbia Ave. cars from Subway, or Dudley St. Elevated, to Brookline St.)

SALEM.
Services at First Baptist Church, Salem, Mass., Second, Third, and Fourth Sundays, each month, excepting July and August, 2:15 P.M.

NEW ENGLAND CITIES.
Services in Worcester, Nashua, Providence and other New England cities, by appointments.
E. CLAYTON WYAND,
Evangelical Alliance Minister in charge.
Residence: Winchester Sta., Boston.
(To these services all are welcome.)

The Farmer's Thanksgiving.

The earth is brown, and the skies are grey,
And the windy flakes are bare,
And the first white flakes of the coming snow.
Are afloat in the frosty air;
But the sparks fly up from the hickory log,
On the homestead's broad stone hearth,
And the windows shake, and the rafters ring.
To the lads' and the lassies' mirth.

The farmer's face is furrowed and worn,
And his locks are thin and white,
But his hand is steady, his voice is clear,
And his eyes are blue and bright,
As he turns to look at his sweet old wife,
Who sits in her gown of gray,
With her cobweb kerchief and creamy frills
She wore on her wedding day.

He bows his head to the laden bough,
And the guests they are silent all,
"Thanksgiving, Lord, for the sun and rain,
And the fruits on the orchard wall:
For the silver wheat, and the golden corn,
And a crown of a peaceful life—
The greatest blessings that Thou can give—
A true and a loving wife!"

This white-haired lover he bends to kiss
Her hand in its frail of lace,
And the faded rose on her wrinkled cheek,
With a proud and a courtly grace:
And the snowflakes click on the window pane.
And the rafters ring above,
And the angels sing at the gates of God,
The words of the farmer's love.
—Minnie Irving, in *Onward*.

Of all nation the United States alone allows the use of white phosphorus in making matches.

NEW YORK.

News items for this column, should be sent direct to the DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL, Station M, New York.

A few words of information in a letter or on a postal card is sufficient. We will do the rest.

PINOCHLE TOURNAMENT.

The League of Elect Surds-Deaf-Mutes' Union League pinochle tournament was won by the latter, by a majority of two games. Below is the score made by each individual player and the totals of each club's standing:

L. E. S. ROOMS—MARCH 21ST.			
L. E. S.	W. L.	U. L.	W. L.
Miller.....	5 3	Cohn.....	6 2
Capelli.....	5 3	Metzger.....	6 2
LeClerc.....	4 4	Lowenherg.....	5 3
Hodgson.....	3 5	Glostein.....	4 4
Kahn.....	4 4	Moses.....	4 4
Nuber.....	3 5	Solomon.....	3 5
Kohlman.....	3 5	Peters.....	3 5
Heyman.....	2 6	Sonneborn.....	2 6

D. M. U. L. ROOMS—APRIL 4TH.			
L. E. S.	W. L.	U. L.	W. L.
Hodgson.....	7 1	Cohn.....	6 2
LeClerc.....	5 3	Solomon.....	6 2
Capelli.....	4 4	Glostein.....	5 3
Miller.....	5 3	Moses.....	4 4
Kahn.....	3 5	Hirsch.....	4 4
Nuber.....	3 5	Ernst.....	3 5
Heyman.....	3 5	Peters.....	3 5
Kohlman.....	2 6	Metzger.....	3 5

The contest was very exciting and games very close throughout. Arrangements are now being made for another series of games, to be played with the two clubs soon.

A CARD PARTY.

Mr. Keith Watt Morris, of the Ansonia Hotel, with his sister, Hil da, invited about twenty-five guests to play "Twenty-one," "Bridge" and "Whist," on Wednesday evening, March twenty-seventh, and afterward they had supper. Mr. Morris lives in a housekeeping apartment at the hotel, which is comprised of seven rooms.

The guests' names were: His brother, Louis Henry Morris, Mrs. William B. Smith, Miss Ruth Moor, Miss Bessie Bloodworth, Miss Helen Vetterlein, Mr. Adolph Pfeiffer, Mr. William Cummins, Miss Mary Sue Cummins, Mr. Pier son Radcliffe, Mr. Marcus Kenner, Mr. Charles Schatzkin, Mr. Joseph Schatzkin, Mr. Joseph Peters, Mrs. Louis H. Morris, Mrs. S. S. Hale, Miss Elizabeth Moor, Mrs. Hannah Vetterlein, Mrs. Adolph Pfeiffer, Mrs. William Cummins, Miss Lena Cummins, Mr. Arthur Kranich, Mrs. Marcus Kenner, Mr. Charles Miller, Mr. Julius Seandel, Mr. James Fitz Gerald.

There were three prizes awarded. Mr. Charles Miller won the first prize for "Twenty-one," which was a brown leather address book. Miss Bessie Bloodgood got the first prize for "Bridge," a green velvet address book. Mrs. Marcus Kenner received the prize for "Whist," which was a red leather address book.

Mr. Morris wore a Spanish costume and hat, and was dressed to represent a girl, which he succeeded in doing very well, as his friends didn't recognize him.

The party broke up at half past eleven.

A LECTURE AT THE ALPHABETS.

On Wednesday, April 3d, the Alphabet Athletic Club and their friends responded very enthusiastically to the Secretary's letter of invitation to a lecture on "Yellowstone Park and the Natural Advantages of the West." The lecture was most interesting, the lecturer, Mr. Harry Best, showing about one hundred views depicting the life in and around Yellowstone Park. In the course of the lecture he advised young men to go West and start in the wheat business, of which he showed scenes of immense harvesting machines, cutting and stacking at the rate of an acre an hour. A very enthusiastic reception was given a picture entitled: "The discovery of gold in California." Although the pictures were all good, this one seemed the most popular.

The Alphabet Club expects even larger attendance at their next lecture, which will be held in the near future at the Boys' Club, Tenth Street and Avenue A.

The Easter services at St. Ann's Church for Deaf Mutes witnessed a crowded congregation.

Rev. Dr. Chamberlain officiated, assisted by Rev. Mr. Keiser. Nearly two hundred partook of the sacrament of the Holy Communion. The altar and chancel of the church were decorated with flowers and potted plants.

A good many of the deaf of Connecticut, New Jersey, and other nearby localities were present.

The building of the new Guild House of St. Ann's Church, which will be begun at once, necessitates the holding of Sunday services at the Chapel of the Intercession, 158th Street and Broadway, at three o'clock on Sunday afternoons.

MARRIED.

Mr. Frank Carley and Miss Ollie Wolf, of Fanwood School, were married Sunday, April 7th, at 5 P. M., at the bride's residence. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Boh, Pastor of the Lutheran Church for the deaf-mutes.

The bridesmaid was attended by Miss Maud A. Emrick, and the

bridegroom by Mr. Peter Ehnes. The bride was given away by her father. A splendid dinner was served. Among those present were: Messrs W. Berg, A. Berg, J. Friedman, C. Dougherty and S. Krienik, and Misses K. Christgau, Ida Schulte and T. Cliff, and many hearing people.

BROOKLYN FRATS.

The meeting of Brooklyn Division, No. 23 held last Saturday night, proved a very interesting one. In addition to the numerous business that was transacted, Bros. Jacques Alexander, the well-known artist, and Joseph Klein, an expert diamond polisher, were admitted as active members. Prof. William Gladstone Jones, the well known lecturer and teacher of the New York Institution for the Instruction of the Deaf and Dumb was admitted as a social member. Bro. O. A. Darby, of Atlanta Division, was a guest, and was highly elated at the excellent management done by the various officers and committees. Bros. John H. Keiser, Charles Bryan and O. A. Darby, were initiated with pompous ceremony. With the approaching balmy weather, Bro. Frank Fluhr will roll up his sleeves, acting as Chairman of the Picnic Committee at Ulmer Park, August 24th, 1912, with Bros. John D. Buckley, Walter Taylor, Harry J. Powell and A. C. Berg, as able assistants. Bro. Louis A. Cohen was elected delegate to represent Brooklyn Division at the Convention of the N. F. S. D., at Columbus, Ohio, during the week of July 1st to 6th, 1912. Bro. H. Pierce Kane, being second vice-president of the Grand Division will accompany him on their long journey.

CLARK'S FANCY DRESS BALL.

Only two days more from to-day, on April 13th, when will be held the Fancy Dress Ball, under the auspices of the Clark Deaf-Mutes' Athletic Association. During the grand march confetti may be thrown, and Leach Cross, who is the best lightweight boxer of New York, who is a member of the Clark House, of which above said club is a branch, will lead around the Casino, and will probably be accompanied by his pretty wife. Fifty dollars in cash and valuable prizes will be awarded to the handsomest and fanciest costumes. Four hearing judges and Mr. E. A. Hodgson will be selected. Don't forget lucky 13, and above said club is looking for a record breaking attendance.

The Clark Deaf-Mutes' Athletic Association begs to announce that the basketball team that played against the Fanwood Basketball quintet at Public School No. 158, was not the real team from above said club. None of the players belong to said club. Said club has the best team in New York, and is willing to play the game of basketball with the Fanwood quintet. The players who are still playing for said club are: L. Breslar, L. Baker, W. Pease, J. Swoyd, P. Kempf, A. Enger and J. Goldstein. They expect Arthur Enger to rejoin this club soon.

A pool tournament will be held in the Boys' Club for the members on April 17th. Committeeman Henry A. Scherer has been busy in picking the best pool player among the Alphabet boys to represent them in the tournament. Samuel Krienik looks good. He will undoubtedly be the representative. A gold medal will be awarded to the winner.

Jacob Friedman, the manager of the track team of the Alphabet Athletic Club, has been busy in getting candidates in condition for the Ulmer Park games this summer. Judging by the track members at runs, there will be some races. Watch us, say the Alphabets.

Dr. Walter B. Peet will lecture under the auspices of the Brooklyn Guild, in St. Mark's Chapel, Adelphi Street, near De Kalb Avenue, Brooklyn, at eight o'clock on the evening of Thursday, April 18th. The price of admission is very small and the proceeds will go to the Charity Fund of the Guild.

Bro. John D. Shea, of Brooklyn Division, was compelled to remain indoors with an attack of the Grip since March 8th, but at present writing is improving fast. He left Monday for Lakewood, N. J., to recuperate.

The kind attention of the readers is called to the fact that Brooklyn Division has engaged the Imperial ball room for its next masquerade ball, on Saturday evening, January 25th, 1913.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles J. LeClerc will spend the summer months, from May to October, at Port Washington, L. I.

A recent discovery in Ireland indicates presence of a large area rich in copper, sulphur and arsenic.

Flour when compressed, will keep for an almost indefinite time. Its bulk is decreased by the process one-third.

OHIO.

[News items for this column may be sent to our Ohio News Bureau, care of Mr. A. B. Greener, 908 Franklin Ave., Columbus, O.]

April 6th, '12—The Mann Memorial Window Fund was this week increased thirteen dollars through the efforts of Mrs. Frank Minego, of Portsmouth, who collected the money from members of All Saints Parish, of her city. The late Rev. Mann, when he held services in Portsmouth, generally stopped with Mr. and Mrs. Minego and held receptions there for those of the Parish, and in this way people came to admire him and his work. The fund has now reached \$52.10. It will take about \$275 to pay for the window. Others outside of this parish, desiring to assist, will be welcomed to do so. Mr. Wm. H. Zorn is treasurer of the fund and will be glad to receive contributions.

Governor Glascock, of West Virginia, has a higher opinion of the capabilities of the deaf than the governor of Nebraska, for a dispatch from Charleston, W. Va., to the *Wheeling Intelligencer*, of Monday says:—Governor Glascock has appointed Mr. W. H. Bumgardner to represent West Virginia in the great sociological congress which meets at Nashville in May. Fifteen states will be represented. Although Mr. Bumgardner is a deaf-mute, yet he has made a careful study of social, civic and economic conditions, and will prepare a paper to be read by the secretary.

Mr. P. P. Pratt went the Home Sunday and gave a talk to the residents. Mr. Adelbert Cheney, of Sarain, brother-in-law of Superintendent Chapman, has been selected helper. He has grown up on the farm, so his services will be quite a help. He has rented the house next to the Home on the north side. Mrs. Cheney will assist the matron whenever occasion demands, and it will be soon, as the house cleaning season is here.

Dr. Fess, President of Antioch College and a member of the Constitutional Convention, was down for an address before the teachers' monthly meeting Monday, but owing to a press of other matter could not come. He will probably be on hand at the May meeting.

Mr. Collins S. Sawhill, of Brad dock, Pa., will entertain the members of the C. A. D., at their hall, Goodrich House, with a lecture, on the evening of April 27th. The deaf of nearby towns are cordially invited to attend.

Messrs. Fryfole, King and Goetz, are the May 3d picnic committee. They will later choose the various booth and amusement committees, and make the general arrangements for the affair.

The Columbus people were agreeably April fooled Monday, by the Columbus Railway and Light Company, by the giving of eight tickets for a quarter, instead of seven as had been the for the past 14 years. Mention had been made that the change would not be made till the last of April, and everybody was looking forward for cheaper rides at the end of the month, and hence they were astonished to receive a new style of tickets with an additional ride added. The charter stipulates that when the annual receipts from fares reaches a certain figure, eight tickets for a quarter with transfer shall be given patrons.

Frank Steel, who for some time has filled a position in the kitchen of the school, resigned last month, and on Saturday, with his wife and children moved to Cincinnati. It is said he will work as a painter under Mr. Harry Apgear, formerly in charge of painting here and later steward for several years.

Mrs. V. D. Greene, mother of Mrs. Ernest Craig, died at her home in Chicago last Saturday. The remains were brought to Fremont, where they were buried, services being held in St. Paul's Episcopal Church. Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Craig accompanied the remains to Fremont. Mr. and Mrs. Tyler Greene and two children, and other relatives from Toledo, attended the last sad rites. There were many floral offerings. To Mr. and Mrs. Craig we extend our sincere sympathy.

Dr. Coughlin, Superintendent of Bellville, Canada, School for the Deaf, was a visitor here during the week. Superintendent Jones did the honors in showing him through the departments of the school. Yesterday morning at the chapel services, Dr. Coughlin was introduced to the pupils by Principal Patterson and delivered a short address to them.

Mr. Benj. Showalter, a teacher in the Steel High School, of Dayton, with his wife, was in the city for several days last week, attending a meeting of teachers of science and mathematics. While here they were guests of Mr. Showalter's parents.

Messrs. Baston and Baillie, former pupils of the Western Pennsylvania School, on their way to West Virginia, stopped over here for a while Tuesday afternoon, and got acquainted with a number of people here.

The Boys' Literary Society closed

up shop for the school year with Thursday evening meeting Wm Eichler, who finishes his school course in June, delivered the valedictory address, which was responded to by Park Meyers. Carl Nelson rendered "My Country, 'Tis of Thee." The Society donated \$1 to the Building Fund of the Home.

The last half of the week gave us weather that tempts one out, and as a result the boys have made baseball their main pastime, practicing daily to limber up. The Independents will open their season on the 13th.

Word was received here this morning by telegram, that Mr. James H. Smith, one of the prominent deaf of Dayton, Ohio, had fallen dead last evening, probably from heart disease. More particulars next week.

A. B. G.

ST. LOUIS BRIEFS.

Bev. J. W. Michaels was in St. Louis on Palm Sunday, and attended the two services on that day at St. Thomas' Mission.

Mr. A. O. Steidemann has his annual permit to play tennis in O'Fallon Park. This is a sure sign Spring has come at last.

After the Confirmation service on Palm Sunday at St. Thomas' Mission, the congregation was invited into the Cathedral to see the new \$50,000 reredos, which is a rare and wonderful work of art.

Mr. C. D. Jones gave a reading at St. Thomas' Mission last Friday evening, which was so much appreciated that he has been asked to repeat it at an early date under the auspices of St. Francis De Sales Society.

Mr. Russell Handley, a Gallaudet School graduate, would a farmer be, and has hied himself to Iowa to learn the business. After he has acquired some crotch, a sun-burn, and a practical working knowledge of farming, he will locate in Missouri and vote the Republican ticket every year.

Mr. W. I. Tilton, of the faculty of the Illinois School at Jacksonville, gave a reading at St. Thomas' Mission the other week. There was a large attendance. Mr. Tilton's train was so late that it was nine o'clock before he made his bow. The crowd, however, had been so well entertained in the meanwhile by Miss Roper and Messrs. Rodenberger, Tureczek and Jones, that it got several shows for the price of one admission.

The St. Thomas' Mission service in Christ Cathedral on the afternoon of March 24th coincided with one of the worst snow storms of the season, which greatly interfered with street car service. As a consequence the attendance was not as large as it would otherwise have been, and those who missed the discourse on the new \$50,000 reredos and symbolism of Cathedral architecture by the minister, will probably be given another opportunity later on.

The Gallaudet School Patrons Association held its annual meeting at the school on a recent evening. All the old officers, consisting of Mr. F. J. Roeder, president; Mr. F. Petzold, secretary; and Principal Cloud, treasurer; were re-elected. Among other business the Association attended to the details of the Annual School entertainment, to be given on April 13th, at Strassberger Hall, Grand and Shenandoah Avenues.

Bishop Tuttle made his annual visitation to St. Thomas' Mission on the afternoon of Palm Sunday, preached and confirmed a good-sized class, among whom were Messrs. Ashbell N. Merrell, George W. Arnot, Daniel F. Kleinschmidt, Charles Hazen, Emil G. L. Tegtmeyer, Mrs. Mary M. Theurer, Miss Elizabeth G. Haynes. There was the usual large attendance including hearing friends of those confirmed. Miss Clara L. Steidemann interpreted the Bishop's sermon.

One thousand dollars of the Missonri Home Fund has been invested by Treasurer Cloud in first mortgage real estate, five per cent interest, bearing gold coupon notes. The Mercantile Trust Company, of St. Louis, is trustee of the property covered by the mortgage. The property is located at the Southwest corner of Twelfth and Locust Street across the alley from the Schuyler Memorial House used by St. Thomas' Mission for the Deaf. The Shubert theatre building occupies the lot. The notes mature in four years.

The April events at St. Thomas' Mission, 13th and Locust Streets, will be as follows:—

Sunday School at 9:30 and service at 10:45 on all Sunday mornings. On April 14th there will also be a service at 3 P. M.

The Woman's Guild meets on the 6th, at 2:30 P. M., at the home of Miss Vina Smith, 3019 Bell Avenue. The Frats meet on the evening of the 12th.

The literary evening presided over by Mr. C. D. Jones will be held on the 19th.

Mr. A. J. Rodenberger gives a reading on the evening of the 25th. This will be the last of the regular literary events of the term, but specials are being prepared for May and June, and will be duly announced.

FANWOOD.

Mr. E. L. Winthrop, Chairman of the Executive Committee, visited the Institution a-ain last Monday morning and saw the pupils at their noonday meal.

For the past week there has been much merriment caused amongst the girls remaining here. Last Wednesday evening, in their spacious sitting-room, a game, or rather contest, was run off, under the direction, of Misses Craig and Judge. After the younger girls had retired for the night the older girls who were to participate in the contest were requested to leave the room for a short time, until called in again by Miss Craig and Miss Judge. During the absence of the girls about two pounds of Easter eggs, and jelly-beans were distributed to all parts of the room. This being done, the contestants were called in again and requested to search for the eggs and jelly-beans, with the lights turned off. After a definite time the lights were turned on again, and then prizes were awarded to the ones holding the highest number of eggs. The prizes were mostly Easter novelties, such as chocolate eggs, rabbits, chicks, etc. The girls all suggested that the affair proved to be a real success and that they all highly enjoyed themselves.

Mr. Philip J. E. Rotherham, formerly physical director at this Institution, visited the JOURNAL office last Friday afternoon and shook hands with all the printer apprentices whom he recognized. At present Mr. Rotherham is holding the office of Physical Director at the High School of Commerce.

Last Friday afternoon a team of Fanwoodites, who were called the Curriers, played a baseball game against a scrub team from Washington Heights, and defeated them by the score of 21 to 11. The score by innings:—

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Scrub	0	0	6	3	3	0	0	0	—1
Curriers	3	3	1	3	9	1	0	x	—21

Batteries—Nimmo and Drake; Keyes and Jack.

Thursday morning, April 11th, will witness the return of the pupils from their homes. The Easter vacation will then come to an end. It is expected that all will return in the morning excepting those who live in the suburban districts and towns out of New York City.

The American League Park, opposite this Institution, is draped with flags and bunting of all sorts, in commemoration of the opening game on the Hilltop, between the Yankees and the Boston Red Sox.

On Wednesday last, Millard B. Greene enjoyed an all-days outing at Lynbrook, L. I., at the home of Herman Camman, one of our pupils. While at Lynbrook, Millard met Edward Trinks, Charles Lambert and Louis Dias, all members of the band. After a hearty meal, the party duplicated Robinson Crusoe's feat by exploring the vicinity and neighboring towns of Lynbrook and enjoying themselves immensely. While at Rockville Centre, L. I., they met a few members of the Rockville Centre Y. M. C. A. basketball team, who told them that they recently defeated the "Cherry X" quintet, our next rivals for basketball supremacy. Mr. Greene returned in the evening with a happy countenance, which was enough to assure all that he had an excellent time.

On Good Friday, April 5th, hot cross buns were served the pupils at both breakfast and supper, while soft-boiled eggs were added to the customary bill of fare on Easter morning.

On Easter Sunday, an extraordinary but relished dinner was served. Principal Currier was present in the pupils' dining room and offered up the Easter blessing. The menu ran as follows: Roast turkey, stuffing, sweet potatoes, gravy, and mince pie. Principal Currier wished the writer would thoroughly enjoy his dinner, and was thanked for his kind comment.

Last Saturday afternoon, the Curriers, this time composed of both officers and pupils, played and defeated the Broadway A. C., in a nine-inning tussle. As there was no official scorer, and as the writer did not witness the game, it is impossible for the names and positions to go down in this issue. Appended is the score by innings:

Innings	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
Way A. C.	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0
Fanwood	4	1	0	0	1	0	3	0	x

Batteries—Stokley and Nimmo; Haggerty and Breen.

Miss Susan Adcock and John E. Stafford attended their first Holy Communion service, at St. Ann's Church for Deaf Mutes, last Sunday afternoon. By invitation of Mrs. C. Trinks and family, John attended a dinner at the former's Pinehurst Avenue residence with Albert E. Dirkes.

Albert E. Dirkes was a visitor on Sunday afternoon last, and spent a short time chatting with his former schoolmates.

The Sunday morning service was preached by Prof. Jones while Prof. Burdick took the afternoon turn. After the recitation of the Lord's Prayer and the blessing delivered by Mr. Burdick, Dr. Charles A.

Leale, Chairman of the Committee on Instruction, escorted by Principal Currier, put in appearance. They mounted the platform, and Dr. Leale addressed the pupils for a few minutes. He said that it was his customary pleasure to be with us annually on Easter Sunday, and his presence was cordially welcomed. After Prof. Burdick's sermon, Dr. Leale addressed the pupils for a second time. In this address he favored the Combined System as the best and most convenient way of educating the deaf. He gave a few illustrations to demonstrate the value of the sign language and finger spelling. His address proved to be highly interesting and instructive. It was interpreted by Principal Currier while spoken orally by Dr. Leale.

The next issue of the JOURNAL will give a full account of last night's big game with the Xavier Deaf-Mute Basketball Team, at their 14th Street Club house.

On Sunday afternoon, through Principal Currier's permission, Musicians Millard B. Greene and James Landon attended Pastor Russell's lecture, at the Academy of Music, Brooklyn, N. Y. The subject of the lecture was "Why Christ Arose from the Dead."

HARRY J. GOLDBERG.

DEAFNESS

"To most of us deafness is a very serious inconvenience—at least we can make it that if we go about it all right. This 'mysterious feel,' and all such rot only hurts—besides it is so very far from true.

"The five senses are needed by the individual. Any one taken away means a hardship of greater or lesser proportions. The sense of hearing is just a trifle less essential than the sense of sight. A deaf person goes through life with a tremendous handicap. In time of course one becomes used to it, as indeed one can become used to almost anything.

"There are no real compensations for none go with the state. Total deafness is total deafness, and that's all there is to it—it carries its own comment. It means that one is never to hear the patter of his own babes. It means that all that makes up for every day happiness where sound is concerned is dead.

"Music, all the wonderful range and power of the human voice to thrill; music, all the sweet-toned instruments, brass, string, wood and all, are meaningless, yet they go far toward filling the world with cheer.

"The hearing mother at her household tasks can sing and talk even to her wee baby, or to a household pet. This alone is a source of cheer and even a triviale, or in the more serious occurrences of life, can inside of sixty seconds call up her husband or one of her family, even though that person be a thousand miles away, through the soon-to-become universal telephone.

"And that telephone is going to mean a great hardship and detriment to deaf men in business—this is a serious thing in itself as, aside from his strong oral leanings, the inventor of the telephone, Dr. Alexander Graham Bell, married a deaf woman, and was once a teacher of the deaf. He has thousands of deaf friends who love him—none, more, nor with better cause than the writer.

"The world is for the hearing. The deaf have a place in it because they adapt themselves to the world they live in. The better educated they are mentally and manually, the better able they are to adapt themselves.

"In some few avenues of activity a deaf man's deafness is not such a serious handicap. Tilden can create in marble just as wonderfully as if he could hear—yet could he hear he might be a greater sculptor, for opportunities that come to the hearing man to acquire by the speech of the hearing are closed to him. It is the veriest rot to ascribe to deafness any claim or power that the hearing do not enjoy.

"We gloss over the actual condition of affairs because there is no help for it. To us there is no ray of hope. Medical and surgical skill have found no alleviation, and even in religion's devout adherents we find no case of restoration of hearing through supernatural power—at least not since the days of the Prince of Peace.

"We imitate so far as we can the pleasures of the hearing. We have our clubs, associations, lodges and churches, but in them all there is always the ever present missing sense.

"In religious devotions alone one does not need the sense of hearing. A man can worship his creator when he is all alone thousands of miles from civilization. But the hearing can make their devotions sweetly attractive with grand oratory, sublime music, both human and instrumental. By alternating and diffusing a service is made picturesque yet solemn. One needs but take his seat and close his eyes and mind to all else but the service, and come forth from it broadened, rested, inspired. I recall the last service I attended before deafness claimed me, the first I attended after losing my hearing. I went to old St. Ann's in 18th St. Sainted

Thomas Gallaudet was officiating. It was a dark, dull afternoon. The stained glass windows did not permit much light to enter. A few gas jets accentuated the semi-darkness. The sign language and manual spelling were a new thing to me. I was too far back to see very well, and during the entire service all I could catch were a few signs too disconnected to convey any meaning. The vestments and the large white sleeves only made the service more mystic. No choir and no pealing organ was heard. Nearly two hours of almost meaningless motion made it all the more gruesome to me. Surely few people have been granted better opportunities to compare the joy of hearing and the significance of its absence than I.

"Believe me, thirty-one years of deafness hasn't reconciled me to it. Time has softened the blow, experience has healed the wound, work has enabled me to endure the hardship, great joys and greater sorrows have inured me to it, but nothing will ever take its place.—Alex. L. Pach in *Silent Worker*.

The N. F. S. D. and the K. of D.

EDITOR DEAF-MUTES' JOURNAL:—In the name of fair play, kindly allow me to call your attention, and that of your readers, to the misstatements in Mr. Donnelly's article in your issue of March 28th, captioned "Mr. Davis and the Knights of De l'Espee."

Mr. Donnelly says, first of all; "In the Philadelphia news in the Journal of March 21st, President Davis of Division 30, N. F. S. D., is quoted as saying in the course of a speech that 'a Catholic who joined the Frats would lose favor with his church.'"

A glance at the issue of the JOURNAL in question will show that what Mr. Davis was quoted as saying is altogether different. This is what it says: "In the course of his remarks he took exception to a statement" of that kind. There's quite a difference.

With the rest of Mr. Donnelly's article criticising Mr. Davis I have no wish to mix, but I would like to add that the same statement that Mr. Donnelly declares "false" reached me here in Chicago long before it appeared in the JOURNAL—and it did not come from Mr. Davis either. However, I have taken no stock in it, believing nothing of the kind could be said with due authority.

In regard to Mr. Donnelly's saying: "We were told that the home office of the N. F. S. D., in Chicago, had been actively working to kill any efforts to start a council of the K. of D. in Philadelphia." I wish to say that Mr. Donnelly's information is not of the kind men who have observed the attitude of that same "home office" towards the K. of D. as it really is will be warranted in considering as truth.

As Mr. Donnelly himself says, the N. F. S. D. has nothing to fear from the K. of D. Its home office, of which I am in charge, has not gone out of its way to "try to stop the growth of the K. of D." Nor has any one connected with it "descended to childish and silly vilification," but it has answered enquiries that had been made as to the records of certain former members, if that is what Mr. Donnelly has in mind, but does not put in the right words.

Now, let us look at the other side of the sheet. The *Catholic Deaf-Mute*, the organ of the K. of D., of which Mr. Donnelly is editor and proprietor, has time and again given space to many an unwarranted slur on the N. F. S. D. and its members, all of which have been received in silence by the home office in question. The organ of the N. F. S. D., *The Frat*, has never mentioned the K. of D.

Had this JOURNAL article of Mr. Donnelly's appeared in his own publication, it would have been ignored as far as the home office is concerned, as was the rest of the matter referred to above, but in the JOURNAL it reaches an altogether different circle of readers, hence my wish to have a say in the matter.

The home office of the N. F. S. D. is not engaged in any sort of "knocking." Its records are open to any enquirer for information, though, and if some of the things to be gleaned therefrom are not pleasing to certain members of the K. of D., no one is to blame but themselves.

Mr. Donnelly was in Chicago not long ago, and a visit to that same home office, had he been anxious to have facts, would have proven profitable both to the K. of D. and its Supreme Knight, as tending to remove a good many misconceptions they are laboring under.

FRANCIS P. GIBSON.

REPLY.

Ph. Morin says I induced some one to send an anonymous letter to District Attorney, and H. P. Kane said I sent a cowardly, anonymous letter to the same officer.

In replying, I never induced any one or sent in an anonymous letter to the District Attorney, but sent copies of letters, that I received from the Superintendent of Insurance, to the District Attorney, and the fact that he acted on them is enough said. I wrote my name and address in full to him.

CHRISTIAN E. VERNON.

Postage Stamp Mucilage

Every time a person licks a United States postage stamp he gets a taste of sweet potato. The gum with which the stamps are backed is made from that succulent vegetable, because Uncle Sam's lieutenants consider it the most harmless preparation of the sort. All the gum used on American postage stamps is mixed by the Government at the Bureau of Engraving and Printing where the stamps are made. It is spread on the sheets after the stamps have been printed. The gum in a liquid form is forced up through pipes from the basement where it is made. These pipes lead to a series of machines consisting of rollers between which the sheets of stamps are fed one at a time. A continuous fine stream of the liquid gum falls upon these rollers. The sheet with its wet coating of sweet potato mucilage passes from the rollers into a long horizontal flue filled, with hot water. When it emerges at the other end of the flue the gum is dry.

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The new building will occupy a plot of ground about forty-five feet along the street front and twenty-five feet in depth. It will be three stories in height, with a basement, and will be used for the social, religious and industrial needs of the deaf-mutes of New York. The amount required for "The Gallaudet Memorial Parish Building" will be about \$30,000, and the building itself, in its position and purpose, will form a conspicuous monument to him whose life was devoted to the silent peoples. They themselves heartily endorse the memorial.

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July 20, 1911.

To my Wisconsin Convention
Fratres of 1911:

This is a little talk on the Photographic feature of the convention. All that you can have as tangible souvenir of the happy week we spent at Delavan are photographs from the imperishable image on the plates.

The plates not developed at Delavan are even better than those from which proofs were shown.

The groupings were as follows:

The Whole Body in one photograph.

The Alumni of Gallaudet College.

(This negative is far better than the one from which proofs were shown at Delavan.)

The Superintendents and Principals Group.

(There were two made, that of Monday being unusually excellent, but on account of seven Superintendents not appearing, another group was made on Tuesday at noon. In quality, from the artistic standpoint, Monday's is far better. However, you can have either or both, but kindly specify which one.)

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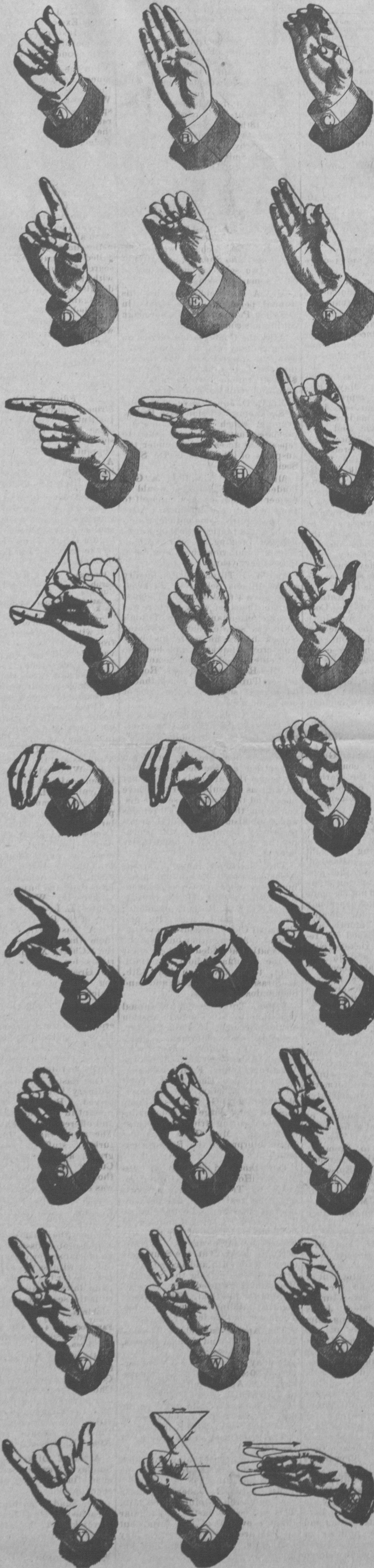
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